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Right: Glen
Hoddle has
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with Spurs
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Weekly.
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column o
page 26.



England
centre-forward Paul
Mariner — read the
Ipswich star's views
on football only in
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Right: Kevin
Keegan, the
England
skipper, hopes
to be taking
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with him into
the World Cup
finals.



Above: The latest addition to
Match Weekly's star-studded
team of columnists — Graeme
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SUPERSTAR

or expensive reserve?

LIVERPOOL'S record £900,000 signing Mark Lawrenson turned his back on boyhood favourites Arsenal for a club that cannot even guarantee him a first team place.

When the new season kicks off on Saturday Liverpool manager Bob Paisley will reveal one of football's best kept secrets.

Does the former Brighton midfield man figure in his immediate plans or will he start his Anfield career as another expensive Liverpool reserve?

"There are so many top names at Liverpool that I don't know whether I'll start the season in the first team," said Mark.

"But I'm prepared to fight with the rest of the lads and prove to the manager I'm worth a place."

It's not even sure where the versatile 23-year-old star will play. He started his career as a central defender, but over the last couple of seasons he has proved himself as a superb midfield player with Brighton.

And he's not giving anything away on his new role at Liverpool.

"The manager has told me I can't say anything about that," said Mark.

Even though he could have walked into Arsenal's first team, the Eire international has no regrets about joining the European

**Mark Lawrenson
talks about his
£900,000 move**

'With respect to Arsenal, you can't get much better than Liverpool'

Cup and League Cup holders.

"I wanted to join a club that has a good chance of winning honours and with respect to Arsenal you can't get much better than Liverpool."

In many ways the move up north is a return home for Mark.

He was born in Preston and started his League career with his home town club.

"It will be good to go back home," he admitted.

"But in many ways I'll be sad to leave Brighton — I had four happy years at the Goldstone Ground," said Mark.

"Obviously the high spot has to be when we were promoted to the First Division in 1978-79," he added.



Bob Paisley . . . manager with one of football's best kept secrets.

"I sincerely hope the lads can work their way up the First Division. There are some very good players at the club.

"But I agree with new manager Mike Bailey when he says Brighton need a couple more players to make them a force to be reckoned with," added Mark.



ESCAPE TO VICTORY WINNERS

THE lucky winner of our Escape to Victory competition which appeared in our August 15 issue is: Iain McMahon, Horsell, Woking, Surrey. Iain receives two tickets to the premiere of the film 'Escape to Victory' starring Michael Caine, Sylvester Stallone, Pele, Bobby Moore, Ossie Ardiles and many more.

Ten runners-up who will each receive an autographed picture of Spurs and Argentinian ace Ossie Ardiles are: Kevin Stuart, Hemel Hempstead; Chris Cowen, East Herrington, Sunderland; S. Horley, Chelmsford, Essex; Karl Bottrill, Stopaley, Luton; Susie Bangors, Banstead, Surrey; Amanda Clarke, Gt. Shelford, Cambridge; James Hall, Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire; Michael Spriggs, St. Barnet, Herts; David Ballance, Enfield, Middx and Mark Clynch, Bourne, Lincs.

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GETTING hit by a bottle may not be the best way to start a new season.

But if the silly spectator who threw it at me during our pre-season tournament in Spain thinks he has blunted my enthusiasm for the season ahead, he's only kidding himself.

The bottle caught me on the elbow and I felt the bruise for several days afterwards.

But after the injuries I put up with last season it's nothing more than a gnat bite.

I'm feeling very fit - both physically and mentally - and I'm really looking forward to the new season.

Any player who's not wants shooting!

There's so much happening in football at the moment, with big-name players moving to new clubs and the World Cup only just around the corner.

And the First Division championship has never been so open.

Any one of three or four clubs could be in with a shout at the end of the season - and that's got to be good for the game in general.

Ruling out my own club Southampton for a moment, my own bet for the championship is Ipswich.

The Portman Road side went so close last year, as well as winning the UEFA Cup and reaching the semi-finals of the FA Cup.

But with injuries to cope with as well I think the number of games

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just got the better of them in the end.

Reigning champions Aston Villa won't give the title up easily. They are a workmanlike side and very difficult to beat.

I'm sure they will do very well for us in the European Cup but I am not so sure they can win the League again.

I think the team that will push Ipswich the hardest is Liverpool.

The Reds also had their fair share

of injury problems last year and, although they won the European Cup and the League Cup, I know they were still disappointed not to have performed better in the championship race.

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But I think that at least one of the major trophies – probably the League Cup – will end up in the Anfield trophy room.

Liverpool have a great record in this competition and it is going to be difficult to loosen their grip on the trophy they won by beating West Ham in last season's exciting League Cup Final replay.

You have got to fancy them to at least reach the two-leg semi-final stage of the competition – and over two games I'd put my money on Liverpool every time. They've got it down to a fine art.

Another team I expect to do well in the League Cup is West Brom. Ronnie Allen's side really impressed me during their pre-season tournament in Spain.

They are a little bit like their Midlands rivals, Aston Villa, in that they are not a side with real flair. But they give very little away... another difficult team to beat over two legs.

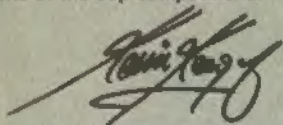
'What about Manchester United?' I hear all you Old Trafford fans cry.

Well, United are my tip for the FA Cup. Ron Atkinson may not yet have had enough time to build a championship winning side, but the attacking style of football that he has preached in the past could be just right for a sudden-death competition.

Last, but certainly not least, I have to mention Nottingham Forest.

Brian Clough and Peter Taylor may be in the process of rebuilding with a young side, but they have achieved so much in the past that you can never rule them out.

I fancy them to do something in one of the cup competitions.



Right: Southampton and England skipper Kevin Keegan, who returns to Match Weekly at the beginning of a new season to bring you his views from inside soccer in an exclusive series.



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Kevin reviews some of the recent big money transfers and gives his views on which clubs have got the best value for money.

Who am I?

I WAS born in Glasgow and began my career with Celtic. (Turn to page 15 for the next clue).

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CONN GOES HOME

HAVE boots will travel . . . that seems to be the motto of former Scotland striker Alfie Conn.

Alfie, the only man to have played for both Celtic and Rangers, has returned to Scotland again after just two months with Blackpool.

He has come back from a spell in America to join Scottish First Division club Motherwell . . . his fourth club north of the border.

Alfie, whose first excursion into the Football League was with Tottenham in the middle seventies, joined Blackpool just

before last season's transfer deadline from Hearts.

But with Blackpool having been relegated to the Fourth Division, Alfie, who has business interests in Glasgow, has decided to return to the Scottish scene once again.



Coventry sit in!

FANS will see a completely new-look Coventry when they take to the field against Manchester United on the opening day of the season.

For as well as a new manager in Dave Sexton, they've got a smart new strip and the first all-seater stadium in the Football League.

Workmen were busy during the summer installing seats all round the Highfield Road ground and now they rank with Aberdeen as the only clubs in the British Isles with all-seater stadiums.

● The Coventry squad are pictured in their new gear, trying out a section of the new seating for size.

Phew!

WHATEVER the weather for Soccer's big kick-off, don't expect anything even remotely like what hit the game on opening day 75 years ago. On that afternoon in 1906, the temperature in some parts of the country hit 91 degrees, and Arsenal finished their away match against Manchester City with just SIX players! Five had gone off, utterly exhausted by the extreme heat.

Kidd tops the lists

BOLTON'S Brian Kidd is the top scoring Englishman in the North American Soccer League.

The former Manchester United striker scored 21 goals in 22 games for Atlanta Chiefs to put himself second in the scoring stakes to New York Cosmos' Giorgio Chinaglia who was on 28.

Another ex-Manchester United favourite, winger Gordon Hill, is also well up the list with 15 for Montreal.

Other British players among the goals are George Best (San Jose), Duncan McKenzie (Tulsa) and Ron Futch (Minnesota).

Former Sunderland keeper Barry Siddall is third among the goalkeepers, having conceded 26 goals in 19 games.

Penalty king Kevin

FORMER Norwich City defender Kevin Bond can do no wrong for Seattle Sounders in the North American Soccer League.

After scoring two goals in his team's Transatlantic Challenge Cup success over New York Cosmos, he's now set a new penalty record.

He slotted home a spot-kick in Sounder's 1-0 victory over Tulsa Roughnecks to set a record of nine successful penalties in a season.

A goal in a thousand!

THE longest goal famine in senior British football was ended when Scottish club Stirling Albion scored in their League Cup tie at Falkirk.

Bobby Torrence, making his debut for the Second Division club, scored the equaliser at Falkirk . . . and that was Stirling's first goal in 14 matches stretching back to the end of January!

But the goal, the first in 1,292 minutes of action, proved to be a consolation as the home side ran out 4-1 winners.

MacDougall comeback

FORMER Scotland striker Ted MacDougall is making a comeback with Southern League Salisbury.

The former Manchester United, Norwich, Southampton and West Ham forward quit League football at the beginning of last season after a few games with Blackpool while he was assistant manager to Alan Ball.



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Crystal Palace's Welsh international striker Ian Walsh — one of seven Selhurst Park players taken off the transfer list by manager Dario Gradi.

Stars stay with Palace

UNREST among the players at relegated Crystal Palace seems to be over.

Seven of their top players have been taken off the transfer list by manager Dario Gradi.

The players are Welsh international striker Ian Walsh, Eire midfielder Jerry Murphy, Vince Hilaire, Billy Gilbert, Terry Boyle, Neil Smillie and goalkeeper David Fry.

Palace won't be lacking in fitness this season as they attempt to regain their lost First Division status.

Top British gymnast Barry Winch has been helping the players with their pre-season training schedules.

Phil Neal can take a rest

RAY Clemence's departure to Tottenham has brought an end to one of Anfield's least well-known double acts.

"Clem" used to room with Phil Neal and the full-back had the job of waiting on his club and country colleague.

"I used to order his breakfast, sprinkle sugar on his cornflakes and even stirred his morning tea," said Phil.

"Now I intend to enjoy my match-day mornings — I'm looking forward to the rest!"

WELCOME TO A NEW SEASON . . .

NO PANIC AT CELTIC

DON'T let Celtic's two early shock defeats in the Scottish League Cup fool you . . .

"The bubble hasn't burst," says veteran skipper **Danny McGrain**. "The champion's crown merely slipped."

A 3-1 home defeat by Premier rivals St. Mirren followed by a 2-0 upset at First Division St. Johnstone left the Celtic Park faithfuls in a state of shock.

But full back Danny isn't worried: "In those two matches we played some terrific football without

managing to put away the chances.

"Football is all about scoring goals, but we just went through a little phase.

"In fact, the defeats might bring us down to earth following last season's success.

"I know I'm biased but if those two games had been boxing matches, they would have stopped them at half-time.

"I just hope everything is working well when it comes round to the European Cup and that clash with Juventus."

Match Chat

Clark returns

FORMER Sunderland assistant manager **Frank Clark** has rejoined Nottingham Forest as reserve team manager.

The former Newcastle full back left Forest two years ago after playing a significant role in the club's rise from the Second Division to European Champions.

Commented Forest manager **Brian Clough**: "It's my best signing since Peter Shilton."

Ferguson flyer

MIKE Ferguson, Everton's new £280,000 striker from Coventry, made an immediate impact on his first appearance for the club.

The big striker, who has played only four senior games in nearly two years, scored an early goal in the 1-1 draw with Third Division Plymouth.

Stoke City go Japanese

STOKE City are the latest Football League club to sign a shirt-sponsorship deal.

They are being backed by the Japanese camera and office equipment firm Ricoh.

The deal is worth around £40,000 with various spin-offs including £300 worth of equipment for players and officials.

Commented Stoke chairman **Percy Axon**: "With our average gate between 15,000 to 16,000 last season, this type of deal is essential."

PEN PALS

Northcroft, South Elmsall, Pontefract, West Yorks.

I am a 14-year-old Wrexham supporter who would like a pen pal, of about the same age, that is associated with the Wrexham fan club.

Colm O'Callaghan, Seminary Road, Farranferris, Cork, Eire.

I am a 14-year-old West Ham supporter who would like pen pals who support any teams.

Shelley Gritton, 122 Hornchurch Road, Hornchurch, Essex.

I would like a French girl pen friend, aged 16, who speaks good English and supports Norwich City and St Etienne and a German girl who supports Norwich and Bayern Munich.

Andrew Denny, 12 Peter Avenue, Acle, Norwich, Norfolk.

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- 1) Peter Shilton, Jake Findlay, Alan Kennedy, Petar Borota.
- 2) Selhurst Park, Carrow Road, Upton Park, White Hart Lane.
- 3) Gerry Francis, Alan Ball, Mick Mills, Steve Coppell.
- 4) England, West Germany, Argentina, Tunisia.

WHAT'S THE SCORE

HERE'S a list of five FA Cup Finals — can you remember how they finished?

- a) 1973 — Sunderland . . . Leeds . . .
- b) 1975 — West Ham . . . Fulham . . .
- c) 1976 — Southampton . . . Man. Utd . . .
- d) 1978 — Ipswich . . . Arsenal . . .
- e) 1979 — Arsenal . . . Man. Utd . . .

The big soccer competitions are always in Match Weekly and to celebrate the start of an exciting new season we're proud to present the biggest and best competition that you could find.

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And who is our celebrity Mastermind? Well, of course, that would be giving the game away but it will be Peter Withe, Glenn Hoddle or Alan Kennedy?

So if you want to be a winner, here's what to do.

On part one of our Mastermind of Soccer flexi-disc (which you have played by now, of course!) our quizmaster Mike Ingham asked you to identify the voice of a

mystery star footballer.

We want you to simply name the player and his present club.

What the player says on the record contains many clues to his identity so we have reprinted his words next to a pictorial clue as well as an extra clue.

If you think you know who the player is, make a note and keep it in a safe place.

Over the next two weeks there will be two more mystery voices on our Mastermind of Soccer discs, and when you have the names of all three players we will be publishing an entry form.

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The first ten correct entries pulled from the postbag on the closing date will each receive a copy of the book.

Entries must arrive by August 28 and results will be announced in our September 12 issue.

The six questions are:

1 Bobby Moore made a record number of appearances for England. Was it 107, 108 or 109?

2 Who did Bobby Moore join from West Ham?

3 Which American team did Pele play for?

4 Pele scored on his last World Cup Final appearance in 1970. Was it against Uruguay, West Germany or Italy?

5 Tottenham signed Osvaldo Ardiles from which Argentinian club?

6 Did Ardiles play in Argentina's World Cup winning side in 1978?

Answers

● What's the score: a) 1-0, b) 2-0, c) 1-0, d) 3-2.
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And my special guest this week is 14-year-old Arsenal fan Wayne Gold (pictured) of Mill Hill, London, whose favourite players are Kenny Sansom and Graham Rix.

You can see his predictions, alongside mine in the panel.

Will he beat me? You'll have to wait until Saturday to find out.

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Can you beat Paul's predictions?

Match	My forecast	Wayne's forecast	Your forecast	RESULT
Coventry v Man. U.	1-3	0-2		
Mid'bro v Spurs	0-2	1-3		
Nott'm F. v So'ton	1-1	2-2		
Blackb'n v Sheff. W.	1-2	2-1		
Wrexham v Q.P.R.	2-1	2-1		
Doncaster v Reading	2-0	1-1		
Walsall v Southend	0-1	1-3		
Ald'shot v Darl'ton	3-1	1-0		
Bury v Rochdale	2-0	1-1		
Dundee U. v Ab'deen	1-2	1-2		

Who won this week?

POINTS SCORED

PAUL

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Aggregate scores carried forward to next week

PAUL

YOURSELF

LEAGUE FIXTURES Saturday, Aug 29

DIVISION ONE

Arsenal v Stoke
Aston Villa v Notts County
Coventry v Man. United
Everton v Birmingham
Ipswich v Sunderland
Man. City v West Brom
Middlesbrough v Tottenham
Nott'm Forest v Southampton
Swansea v Leeds
West Ham v Brighton
Wolves v Liverpool

DIVISION TWO

Barnsley v Shrewsbury
Blackburn v Sheff. Wed
Chelsea v Bolton
C. Palace v Cambridge
Derby v Orient

Grimsby v Leicester
Luton v Charlton
Newcastle v Watford
Oldham v Cardiff
Rotherham v Norwich
Wrexham v Q.P.R.

DIVISION THREE

Bristol Rovers v Chester
Carlisle v Bristol City
Doncaster v Reading
Fulham v Brentford
Gillingham v Burnley
Huddersfield v Exeter
Millwall v Preston
Newport v Chesterfield
Plymouth v Oxford
Portsmouth v Lincoln
Swindon v Wimbledon
Walsall v Southend

DIVISION FOUR

Aldershot v Darlington
Bournemouth v Crewe
Blackpool v Stockport
Bradford City v Wigan
Bury v Rochdale
Hartlepool v Colchester
Northampton v Scunthorpe
Peterborough v Mansfield
Port Vale v Halifax
Sheff United v Hereford
Torquay v Hull
Tranmere v York

SCOTTISH PREMIER

Celtic v Airdrie
Dundee Utd v Aberdeen
Hibernian v Dundee
Partick v Rangers
St Mirren v Morton
Monday, Aug. 31
DIVISION ONE
Man. United v Nott'm F.

Tuesday, Sep. 1 DIVISION ONE

Birmingham v Ipswich
Brighton v Swansea
Liverpool v Mid'bro
Notts C. v Man. City
Southampton v Wolves

DIVISION TWO

Cambridge v Derby
Q.P.R. v Luton
Shrewsbury v Blackburn
Watford v Grimsby

Wednesday, Sep. 2 DIVISION ONE

Leeds v Everton
Stoke v Coventry
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ABOVE: The ball's in the net and Villa striker Peter Withe has done it again! New Spurs keeper Ray Clemence is out for the count
BELOW Wembley heroes Peter Withe (left) and Mark Falco share the Charity Shield.



Recolour from the Charity Shield

JUST FABULOUS, FALCO!

Mark makes a Wembley dream come true, but Withe shows he hasn't lost that goal touch.



ABOVE. Honours shared — Villa and Spurs players pose with the Charity Shield. BELOW Spurs 20-year-old reserve Mark Falco stole the Wembley show with two goals. Here he's seen battling it out with Villa skipper Dennis Mortimer (left) and Allan Evans.

Saturday, August 22

FA CHARITY SHIELD

ASTON VILLA (1) 2 TOTTENHAM (1) 2
Withe 30, 52 Falco 43, 47
Attendance 92,500 Receipts £431,000
(At Wembley)

Aston Villa	Tottenham
Rimmer 7	Clemence 6
Swain 5	Hughton 7
★GIBSON 8	Roberts 7
Evans 7	Miller 6
McNaught 6	Villa 7
Mortimer 6 (sub Blair 7)	Perryman 6
Bremner 7	Ardiles 7
Geddis 6	Archibald 6
Withe 7	★GALVIN 8
Cowans 7	Hodde 5
Morley 6	Falco 7

Match Rating ★★★★★

Referee A. Grey (Great Yarmouth)



SOUNESS SIGNS FOR MATCH

TODAY Match Weekly can reveal the signing to cap them all... **GRAEME SOUNESS**, the midfield genius behind Liverpool and Scotland, has joined Match Weekly's star-studded team of columnists.

And with names like Glenn Hoddle, Paul Mariner, Kevin Keegan, Steve Coppell and now Graeme Souness, the Match line-up takes some beating!

Impressed by Goodison

MY first trip to Liverpool left me thinking that Everton's Goodison Park was a better ground than Anfield!

But before 'Reds' fans try to have me thrown into the Mersey for treason let me explain.

I was just 14 at the time and due to play for Scottish Schools against

Liverpool Schools at Goodison.

Unfortunately the match was postponed to myself and a couple of friends took time off to look at both grounds.

And I must admit I thought Everton's ground was far more impressive.

Perhaps it was because at the time Everton were more successful than Liverpool.

HOW MUM

MY mum stopped me drifting out of football altogether.

I'd shown a fair bit of promise at primary school, but when I was 13 I suddenly lost interest in the game.

I don't know why, but football didn't appeal to me any more and for a year I didn't play seriously.

I vividly remember the day my mother took me aside and told me it was time I started playing again.

And from then on I've never really looked back, because soon after that talk I was selected to play for Edinburgh schools and my career had been launched.

When I was picked for them I was 14½ and played wing-half, but my first memory of turning out for a team was as an outside-left for my primary school, Broomhouse.

In those days I used to love travelling to Ibrox Park and watching Rangers play.

They were the best team around so there was always a big crowd and great atmosphere at the ground.

Right back Sandy Jardine was just establishing himself in the team. He went on to make 38 full Scottish appearances and he's still going strong for Rangers!

As well as playing for Carrickvale Secondary School, I also represented Tynecastle Boys and it was about this time that the professional clubs began to show an interest.

Both Rangers and Celtic were keen to sign me and I agreed to go to Parkhead for evening training sessions.

Doing the same Tuesday and Thursday evening stints as me was a young lad called Kenny Dalglish!

I trained with them for six months and the thing I remember most about that time was being given a lift to and from the ground to Queen Street Station by right back Jim Craig — a member of Celtic's 1967 European Cup winning side.

Interest

But even in those early days there was only one place for me — I wanted to play in England!

The crowds were bigger and the game was more competitive across the border. That's where I wanted to be.

I always took an active interest in the English results and my favourite team was Tottenham Hotspur.

Manchester United and Liverpool hadn't really come to the fore at that time and Spurs were the team to beat.

In fact it was former Spurs skipper Dave Mackay who set me on my way to White Hart Lane.

I was making my debut for Scottish Schools against the English at Tottenham when Dave, who's now coaching in Saudi Arabia, recognised the name of my school in the match programme.

He had also been a pupil at Carrickvale so he took special notice of the young lad playing with number four on his back.

And I must have impressed the former Nottingham Forest manager because he recommended me to Spurs boss Bill Nicholson.

And a couple of weeks later we had a visit from their chief scout Charlie Faulkner inviting me down to London.

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SAVED MY SOCCER CAREER

SOUNESS FACT FILE

BIRTHPLACE: Edinburgh.
BIRTHDATE: May 5, 1953.
CAREER: Spurs, Middlesbrough, Liverpool.
LEAGUE DEBUT: Jan 6, 1973, for Middlesbrough v Fulham (a), lost 2-1.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Two schools,

one Under-23 and 20 full Scottish caps.
HONOURS: Second Division championship (1973-74), European Cup winners medals (1978, 1981); Division One championship (1978-79, 1979-80).

winger John Robertson

From London we travelled to Swansea's Vetch Field where we beat the Welsh 1-0.

It was after those two matches that even more clubs began to contact me and I talked to Nottingham Forest, Burnley, Wolves, West Brom, Hearts, Hibernian, Rangers and Celtic.

But once Spurs had shown an interest I knew that there was only one club for me. I was determined to join them.

There was a certain magic about the club — there still is — and I wanted to be part of it.

They were so keen to sign me that they paid for me and my brother Gordon to fly down to White Hart Lane from Edinburgh to watch Spurs' last game of the 1986-87 season against Manchester City.

It was a tremendously exciting day for me because I'd never flown before and although Spurs were beaten it didn't put too much of a damper on the great day.

NEXT WEEK:

My bust-up with Spurs
 I'm mentioned in the House of Commons and how
 Dennis Mortimer cost me my first cup winners medal.

John Souness

Who am I?

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*Inset Right: Nottingham Forest winger John Robertson — my Scottish Schools team-mate.
 Inset Left: Sandy Jardine — he was just breaking into the Rangers first team when I went to watch them.*

OLD rivalries will be renewed on the opening day of the season when top teams do battle with each other once more.

Match looks forward to the start of the new campaign with picture highlights of previous meetings between sides paired together on opening day...

WE'LL



Everton striker Peter Eastoe (dark shirt) beats Birmingham defenders Joe Gallagher and Colin Todd to set up a goal for team-mate Eamonn O'Keefe in last season's 1-1 draw at Goodison.



Liverpool's Scottish international striker Kenny Dalglish will be up against Wolves defender Geoff Palmer on the first day of the season. The pair are seen here tussling for the ball.

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Dutch masterpiece! Ipswich Town's Arnold Muhren (8) swings the ball round Sunderland's four man wall to score in last season's meeting at Portman Road.



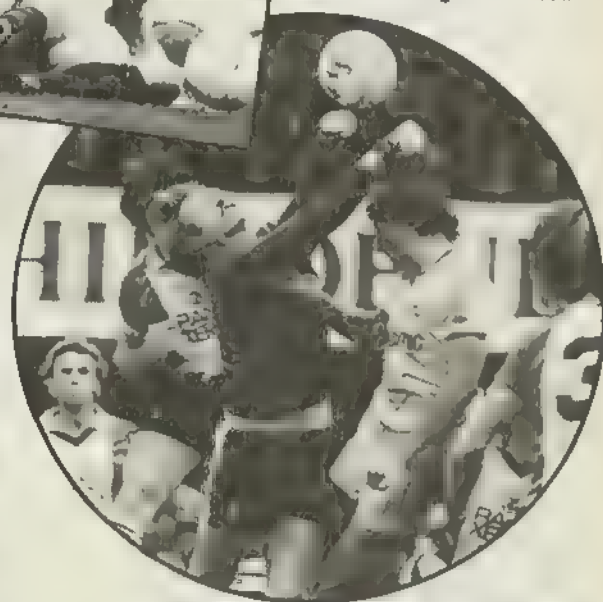
Above: Man. City defender Tommy Booth manages to halt West Brom's powerful striker Cyrille Regis in full flight. The two teams meet again at Maine Road on the opening day of the season.



Left: Sheffield Wednesday's Yugoslav international Ante Mirocovic is stopped in his tracks by Mick Speight of Blackburn. The pair clash again in a Second Division opener.

Below: That's mine! Southampton keeper Peter Wells punches the ball clear of £1m striker Trevor Francis in Saints last meeting with Nottingham Forest.

Right: Defender Alan Dodd clears the danger for Stoke during a meeting with Arsenal at Highbury.



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ANDY BLAIR

Aston Villa's
£300,000
signing

ASTON Villa's new £300,000 midfield signing Andy Blair has confessed: "I never wanted to leave Coventry."

Speaking for the first time of his attempt to get a fair deal at Highfield Road, Andy told Match:

"All I wanted at Coventry was to be appreciated and treated with respect

"My contract came up during the close season and I wanted the security that other players seem to get.

"I was determined to stand up for myself, but I never thought it would end up with me leaving Highfield Road.

"Ever since I've been at Coventry I've never been offered more than a year long contract — the management didn't seem too keen on me," said the Scottish Under-21 international.

Andy admits that he's taken a risk in joining Aston Villa and he knows that he'll be starting the season as a reserve.

"Manager Ron Saunders was very straight with me — he told me I've been bought as cover for his midfield trio.

"It frightens me sometimes when I wonder how I'm going to get into the side — their midfield of Dennis Mortimer, Gordon Cowans and Des Bremner played so well last season.

"But I don't want reserve football so it's up to me to push my claims for a first team place."

Above: Andy Blair "The management at Coventry didn't seem too keen on me."

Looking back on his days at Highfield Road the youngster says: "They were excellent — I really enjoyed my five years there.

"It was just like growing up with your friends at school. Paul Dyson, Garry Thompson and myself played in the same county school team," said Andy.

"But the move gets me out of that atmosphere and puts me within reach of honours.

"After winning the championship Villa are hungry for more — they're geared for success," said Andy.

And he believes that under new manager Dave Sexton his old team Coventry will surprise a few people this season.

"I spent a week with Dave at Coventry before my transfer and I was very impressed by his methods.

"The training was very hard, but he encourages flair and lets the players do a lot of work with the ball."

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be Liverpool.

Defending champions Aston Villa and possibly
Manchester United may figure in the chase
along with us, of course, but Liverpool have the
experience and strength in depth.

They fell away a little last season, mainly
through a succession of injuries but they still
finished with the European Cup and the League
Cup.

Tottenham could well retain the FA Cup as
they seem to be able to rise to the big occasion,
while Arsenal are always a candidate for cup
success.

LEAGUE: Liverpool
F.A. CUP: Tottenham,
LEAGUE CUP: Arsenal.

Barnes can lift Leeds

PAUL BRADSHAW (Wolves)

I'm taking Liverpool to wrest the
championship from Aston Villa this
season.

They always seem to produce
good performances year in year out
and with so much competition for
places, they must be fancied again
this time.

Ipswich will probably push them all
the way for the title, but I've got to
fancy Liverpool's all-round strength
and ability to win the day.

In the cup competitions, I can see
Everton and Leeds coming to the
fore.

They both have new managers

which can lift a side and both clubs
are due some success.

Allen Clarke got some good results
at Leeds towards the end of the
season, and with Peter Barnes in the
side, they could win something this
time.

LEAGUE: Liverpool
F.A. CUP: Everton,
LEAGUE CUP: Leeds

Below: Wolves' Paul Bradshaw



THE TROPHY

Ipswich have the flair

GORDON SMITH (Brighton)

AS a player who admires teams
with flair and skill, I'm hoping
Ipswich will win the title this
season.

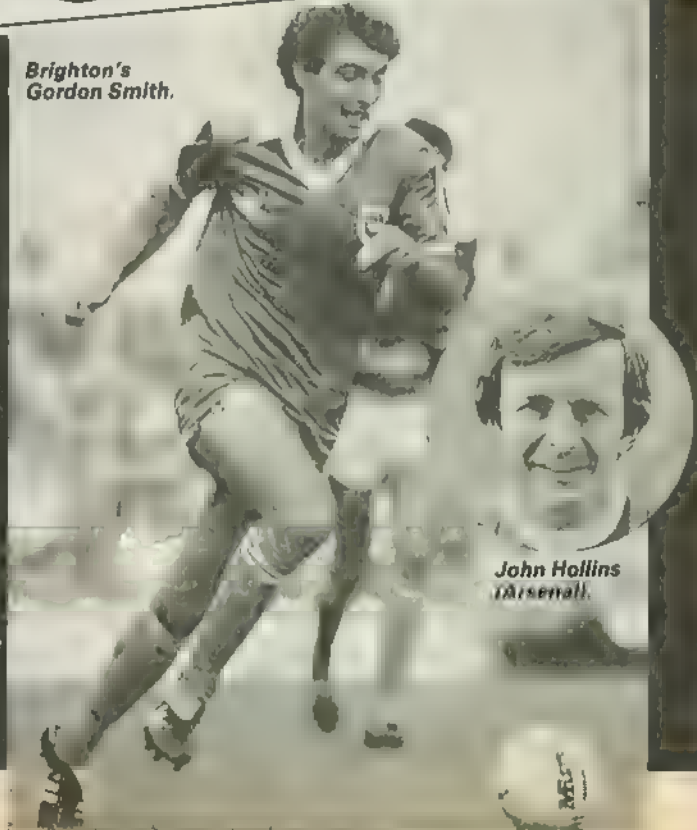
They are probably the most
skilful team in the country, with
goals coming regularly from all
positions instead of relying mainly
on the strikers.

Tottenham and Manchester
United are two other teams with
flair and they could figure in the
title race.

And I think that Spurs,
Manchester United and Ipswich
will also figure prominently in the
cup competitions because they are
all capable of producing that little
bit extra on the day.

LEAGUE: Ipswich
F.A. CUP: Man. United
LEAGUE CUP: Tottenham.

Brighton's
Gordon Smith.



John Hollins
(Arsenal).

United are looking good

BRIAN FLYNN (Leeds)

MANCHESTER United's new manager Ron Atkinson looks as though he's got the team on the right lines and I reckon he'll lead them to the First Division Championship.

Obviously you can never discount European champions Liverpool — that's why I'm going for them to win the FA Cup and perhaps finish League runners-up.

The mighty 'Reds' will have to relinquish hold of the League



Brian Flynn (Leeds)

Cup and that could go to the 'Gunners' of Arsenal.
LEAGUE: Manchester United.
F.A. CUP: Liverpool.
LEAGUE CUP: Arsenal.



Kevin Arnott (Sunderland)

Ipswich the best bet

KEVIN ARNOTT (Sunderland)

IPSWICH look the best bet for the title this season. In my opinion they were a little unfortunate not to win the League last season, injuries costing them dearly in the closing weeks.

They are well organised and are particularly impressive in midfield where John Wark and Frank Rijssen are always capable of scoring goals. My fancies in the cup competitions are Liverpool, West Brom and Manchester United.

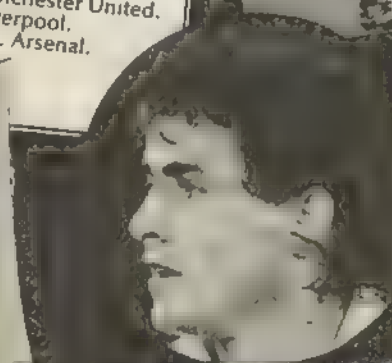
LEAGUE: Ipswich.
F.A. CUP: Man. United.
LEAGUE CUP: West Brom.

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See if you agree with their choices



Manchester United's Arthur Albiston

SPURS CAN DO IT AGAIN

ARTHUR ALBISTON (Man. United)

I think Ipswich will take the title many people thought they deserved last season.

They are the best all round team in the country without any weaknesses.

They were unfortunate to get so many injuries near the end of last season, otherwise they might have won more than one trophy.

Liverpool, and hopefully ourselves will be in the title race, along with Nottingham Forest. Forest have been out of the limelight for a while, but have the players to do well this season.

In the cups, teams like Tottenham, West Brom and West Ham spring to mind as sides who can rise to the occasion for one-off games.

LEAGUE: Ipswich.
F.A. CUP: Tottenham.
LEAGUE CUP: West Ham.

HUNTERS

Below: Aston Villa's Gordon Cowans with the League Championship trophy. Who will be holding it next May?

Everton geared for success

JOHN HOLLINS (Arsenal)

WITH the way Ipswich have started the season on the Continent, they must be rated as a fair bet for the title.

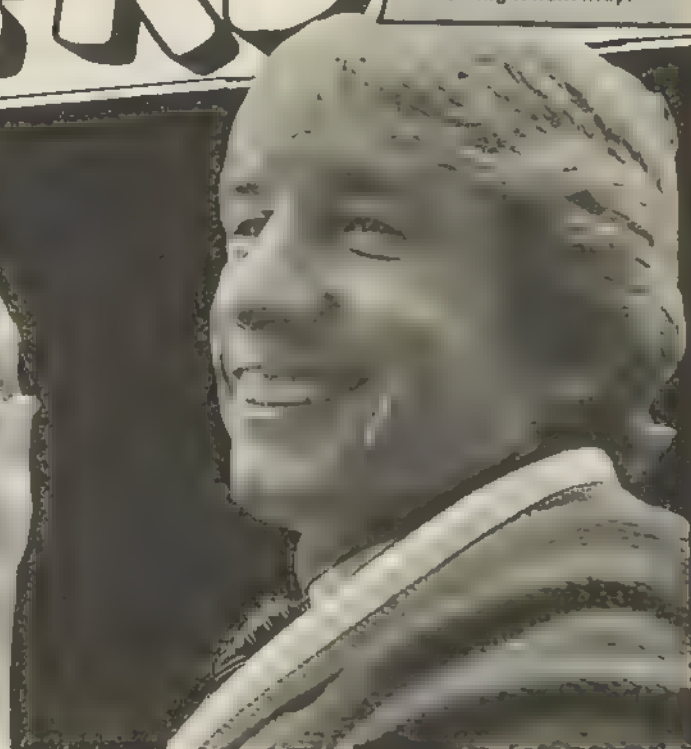
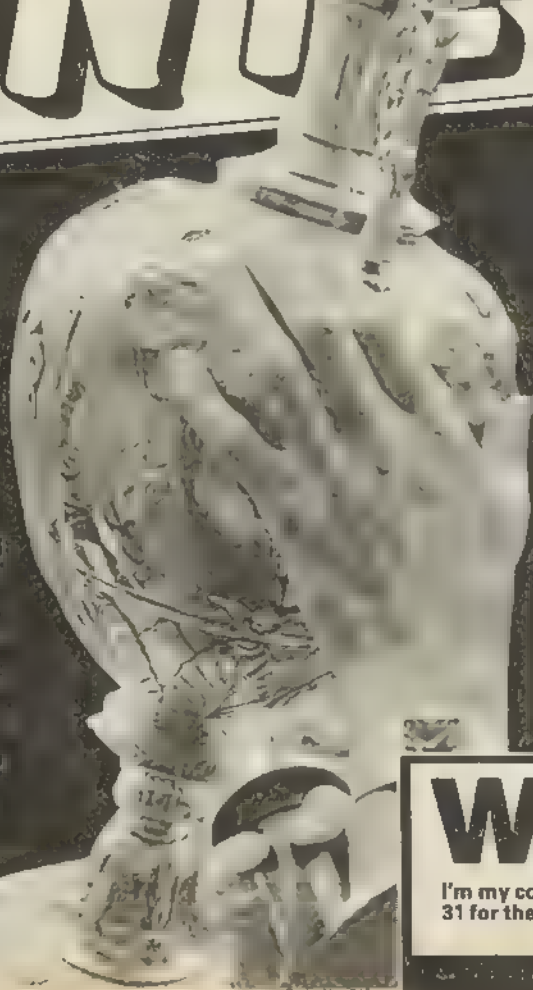
They will be boosted by the return of injured internationals George Burley and Kevin Beattie and are probably the most consistent side in the country.

Liverpool will obviously be in the running, but I have a sneaking suspicion that Nottingham Forest might be in the shake-up this season, having introduced several new players last term.

Knowing Howard Kendall very well, I should imagine that Everton will be geared up for some success this season, possibly in one of the cups.

Southampton are another team with cup credentials and you can't rule out Arsenal when it comes to cup competitions.

LEAGUE: Ipswich.
F.A. CUP: Everton.
LEAGUE CUP: Southampton.



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CAR: Audi
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Celtic
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Joined Celtic straight from school
CLUB NICKNAME: None
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Celtic
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SUPERSTITIONS: None
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: 24 full Scottish caps
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win the League with United

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SPOTLIGHT on proud Liverpool, European Champions, League Cup and FA Cup winners.
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GLENN HODDLE

warns Spurs
fans . . .

DON'T EXPECT 'I feel so sorry for Aleksic' OF

SPURS fans shouldn't expect instant miracles with the arrival of goalkeeper Ray Clemence at White Hart Lane.

Obviously the signing of Ray has been a big talking point among our fans in the run up to the new season.

But it's going to take him time to settle in with our defence.

Once he does, Ray will obviously be a boost to our chances of success this season, because he's the top goalkeeper around —

along with Peter Shilton of Nottingham Forest.

And Ray's experience of playing in Europe with Liverpool is going to be a big help when our venture into the European Cup Winners' Cup gets underway.

But while I'm delighted that Ray's joined us, I can't help but feel sorry for our number one 'keeper of last season — Milija Aleksic.

He's always done a good job for us and played a key role in our FA Cup success last season.

But he's had so much bad luck in his career — namely with injuries — and now Ray's arrival must be considered another blow.

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whatever he decided to do I just wish him all the luck in the world — he deserves it.

On a brighter note things went pretty well for the team in our pre-season friendlies.

Our first match fitness test was against Northampton down at Cheshunt and we won 3-1 with goals from Falco, Paul Miller and myself.

Then we went to Ireland for a couple of matches

We drew 3-3 with Glentoran — myself, Ossie Ardiles and Mark Falco getting the goals and beat Limerick 6-2 with goals from Mark again, Steve Archibald and four from yours truly

The old scoring boots seem to be working quite well — I just hope it stays that way!

I enjoyed the Ireland trip and quite a few Spurs fans made the journey to watch us. There must have been about 15,000 packed in when we played Limerick.

Following that we went up to

Scotland to play Aberdeen and beat them 1-0 with a Garry Brooke goal.

That was a good result because although we had a very young side out we played well... don't forget Aberdeen had taken a couple of English scalps in beating West Ham and Southampton a few days earlier.

So things are looking pretty good for Saturday and the start of the real business

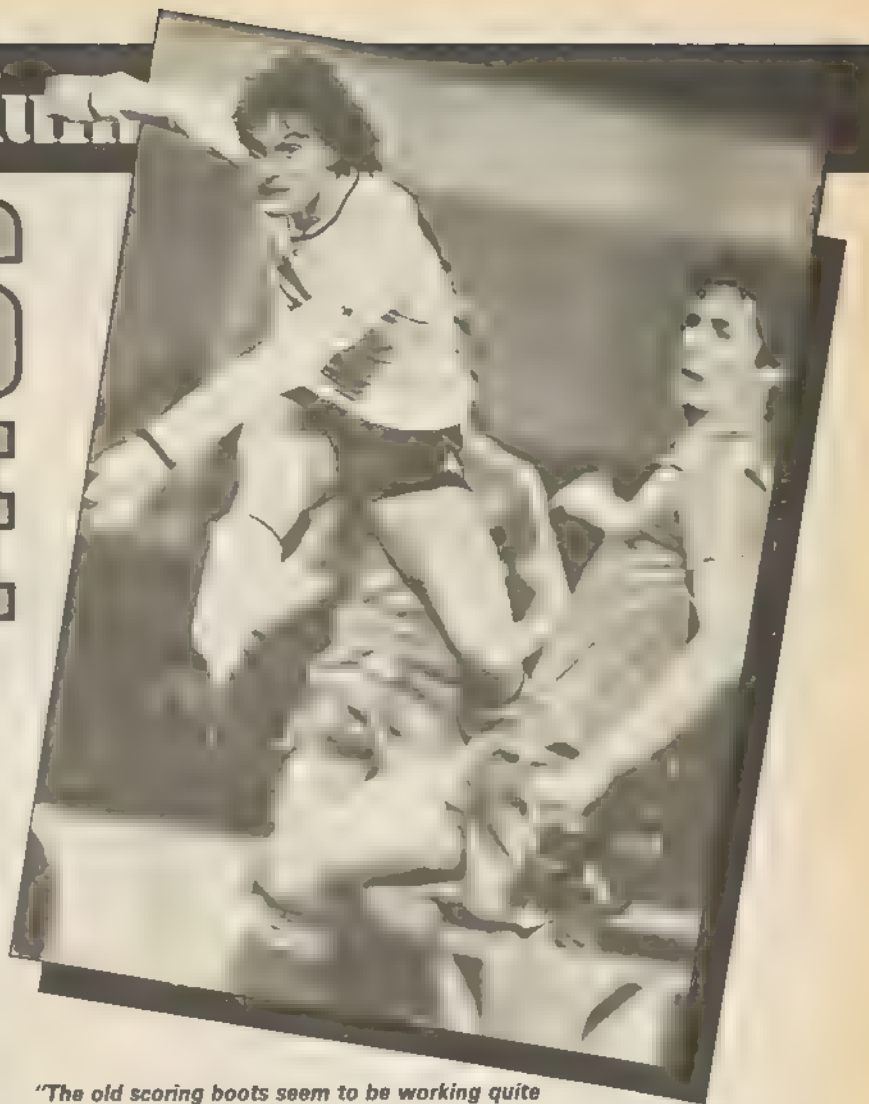
The only cloud on the horizon at the time of writing is that we'll be without striker Garth Crooks for about the first four weeks.

He's been in hospital for a cartilage operation and when you lose a player of his calibre it's obviously a big blow.

Still, Mark Falco has come in and partnered Steve Archibald up front and has done a good job.

So who are the teams to watch this season?

I fancy Ipswich to do well again, Liverpool are sure to be a threat



"The old scoring boots seem to be working quite well — I just hope it stays that way," says Glenn.

once more, Arsenal are always there and Manchester United could do well if manager Ron Atkinson has got his team sorted out.

As for reigning champions Aston Villa I can't see them winning the title two years in succession.

I'm not saying the team's not good enough, but I just don't fancy them

However I do fancy them to do well in one of the two cup competitions

On the subject of Villa I'll be interested to see how their young striker Gary Shaw gets on this term

He's a great player with bags of ability and I'm sure he can go right to the top, but it's going to be difficult for him having had such a great season last time.

I hope he does just as well if not better because it will be good for the future of English football.

Other young players to watch?

Possibly Steve Moran at Southampton whose come on very well and obviously benefited from the experienced players around him and maybe young Danny Thomas at Coventry.

I'll probably get a first hand look at a couple of Middlesbrough youngsters in our first League match on Saturday, because they've lost the heart of their side during the close season with David Armstrong, Mark Proctor and Craig Johnston all having left.

The following Wednesday we play First Division newcomers West Ham at White Hart Lane and

big London 'derbys' are always a bit special.

They have some good players with the likes of Trevor Brooking and Alan Devonshire, but a lot may depend on whether their striking partnership of David Cross and Paul Goddard can put away the goals in the First.

The gap between the two Divisions is a big one.

Having said that, while I can't see West Ham setting things alight this season I'm sure they will do well

The following Saturday it's Aston Villa at home and a re-run of our Charity Shield encounter.

We beat them at home last season and it's sure to be a good game with the Charity Shield winners possibly having a psychological edge.

The next big match will be England's World Cup qualifier in Norway and naturally I hope to be challenging for a place in the international side

It's bound to be a difficult game for us because we are not in Spain yet

The victory in Hungary was a great result for England, but it's time to forget that now and get on with the job of winning the next two matches.

See you in a fortnight's time...

Glenn Hoddle

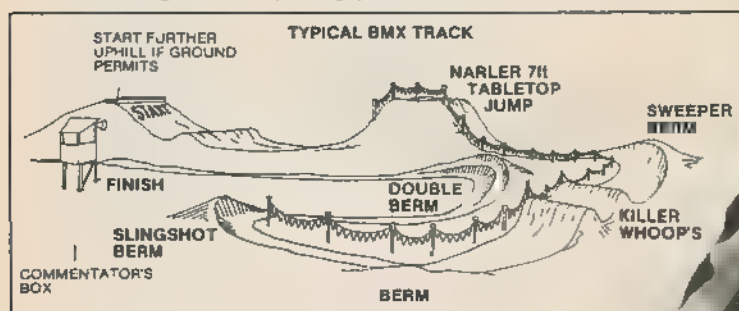


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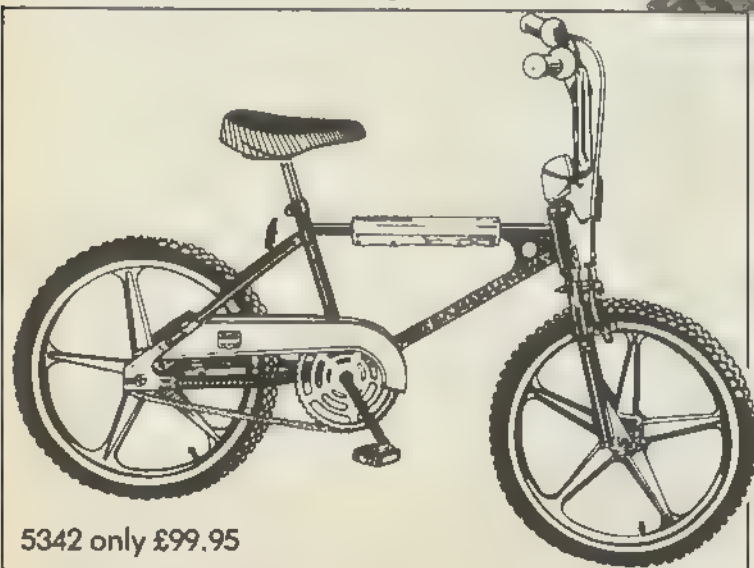
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New Southampton signing David Armstrong in action for Middlesbrough last season — his price was far too high say Ian Harrison and Mark Caulfield.

BACKWARD STEP

THE English transfer system has taken another step backwards by not adopting the Continental method of buying players.

Consider Joe Jordan's move to AC Milan and David Armstrong's move to Southampton.

They are both quality players, but Jordan was bought for £170,000 and Armstrong £750,000 — five times as much.

If Britain used the Continental system of working out transfer fees a lot of money would be saved, it would please the fans and set us on the road to victory in 1982.

Mark Caulfield, Oldham, Lancs.

● What are your views on the sky-high transfer prices? Write and tell us.

Over-priced Armstrong

I think the reported £750,000 fee paid for Middlesbrough's David Armstrong is outrageous. Southampton boss Lawrie McMenemy must be mad. I wouldn't have paid £200,000 for him. These ridiculous prices must be lowered if our football is to survive.

Ian Harrison, Meadowhead, Sheffield.

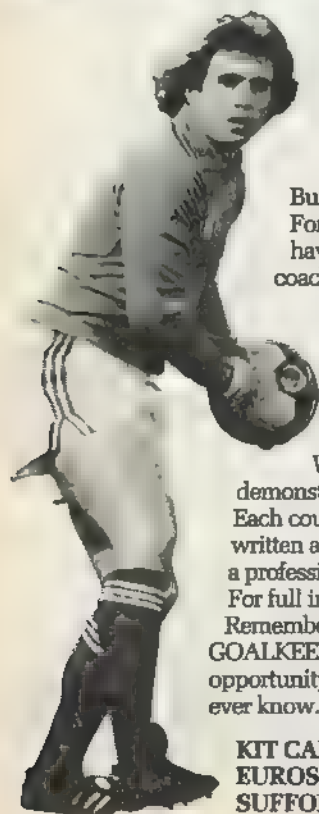
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Fans of Fourth Division sides must have faith in their teams. I don't think there will ever be another manager like John Toshack, but it can be done.

A. Kear, Neath, West Glamorgan.

Supermacs!

In your August 1 edition there was a team made up of players whose surnames began with 'Mc' or 'Mac'. I've made up an even better side — McDonagh (Bolton), McCall (Ipswich), McGrain (Celtic), McQueen (Man Utd.), McFarland (Bradford), McDermott (Aston), McGarvey (Celtic), Mackenzie (Man. City), McDermott (Liverpool), MacDonald (Leicester).

V. Kingston, Greet Barr, Birmingham.



Ipswich Town's Steve McCall — he's in the team of 'Supermacs'.

Give Airdrie a chance

I wish people would give my team, Airdrie, a chance. When we were promoted to the Premier Division we were treated as no-hopers, but we survived comfortably — causing a few surprises along the way.

Now having lost at home to First Division Hearts in the Scottish League Cup it's said we are doomed to relegation again. Under Bobby Watson and Wilson Humphries Airdrie are going places so PLEASE give us a chance.

Alan Ferguson (14), Airdrie, Scotland.

All-seater . . . no 'Kop'

ALTHOUGH making stadiums all-seater will cut down violence at football matches, I think the game will lose something of its atmosphere if all the big English clubs follow the example of Coventry City. It's hard to imagine big clubs such as Manchester United and Tottenham without their Stretford End and Worcester Avenue terraces — not to mention Liverpool without their 'Kop'.

Tim Riddington, Cambridge.

Who am I?

I WON MY SECOND EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS MEDAL THIS YEAR? (You'll find the next clue on page 39).

Transfer talk

IF Manchester United had signed all the players they were reported to have wanted their team this season would read something like this:

Shilton, Batson, Statham, Moses, Lawrenson, O'Leary, Robson, Francis, Fashanu, Hoddle, Barnes. Subs: Gray, Woodcock, Wark.

All of the above have been linked with United in the papers at some time. Be a little more accurate please.

James Thornton, Great Bentley, Essex.



Remi Moses of West Brom — just one of the many players linked with Manchester United during the close season.

WOLVES LOOK GOOD

WOLVES will be a major force in two years time now that John Barnwell has been given the go-ahead to buy new players.

And with youngsters such as Wayne Clarke, Mike Hollifield, John Humphrey, Hugh Atkinson and John Tossdale breaking into the first team it's looking good for the future. Peter Adlington, Bradwell, Staffs.

but then again

DAVS Army! That sums up Wolves line-up for the coming campaign. It will be the same old faithful.

John Barnwell has had enough time to rebuild the team and even though he's got the go-ahead to buy, only one signing is in the balance.

Clive Moray, Wolverhampton.

OLD STYLE BORO?

THE much talked about attacking side of Middlesbrough will come to an end this season. Without the exciting talents of Proctor, Johnston, Jankovic and Armstrong it's hard to see 'Boro' staying in Division One without using their defensive tactics of old.

John Carson, Farrington, Sunderland.

United's cup!

THIS season Liverpool will win the League, Manchester United the FA Cup and West Ham the League Cup.

Mark Foggin, Sunderland.

Ainscow transfer blues

BIRMINGHAM manager Jim Smith must have been mad to let Alan Ainscow leave the club. He was the best right winger for years.

Ainscow was popular with the fans and I'm sure everyone is sorry to see him go.

I'm not knocking Jim as a manager, but I wish he had tried harder to keep Alan with the 'Blues'.

Antony Brown, Shard End, Birmingham.



Alan Ainscow — Birmingham shouldn't have sold him to Everton says Antony Brown.

Kempes back with a bang

MARIO Kempes — top scorer in the last World Cup Finals — has not been without his problems since moving back to South America from Spanish club Valencia. Recently, however, he recovered from his injuries long

enough to fit in a game for his new River Plate team... and grabbed a goal in a 1-1 draw with rivals Boca Juniors. Boca's goal was a brilliant individual effort by the world's most expensive player Diego Maradona.

WORLD CUP '82

Brazil shake-up

ONLY two Brazilians have survived as regulars through the first 24 games that Brazil have played under manager Tele Santana.

Since his appointment in April 1980, only defender Junior and midfielder Socrates, the captain, have been ever-present.

Santana's record is played 24, won 19, drawn three. The two defeats have been at home to Russia and in the Gold Cup finals last January to Uruguay.

Farewell Filliol

ARGENTINA'S goalkeeper, Ubaldo Filliol, is to retire after next year's World Cup.

Costly Klaus

THE big transfer of West German star striker Klaus Allofs from Fortuna Dusseldorf to Cologne has set a new German domestic transfer record of £416,000.

Records for Arconada

SPAIN'S goalkeeper, Luis Arconada, has broken a consistency record. He has kept goal for his country on 26 successive occasions, thus breaking the ancient record of previous holder Zamora who played 24 successive games for Spain. Arconada broke Zamora's record during Spain's recent successful tour of South America

Krankl's Spanish dream

HANS Krankl has his sights on another return to Spain — but this time not with Barcelona.

On this occasion he intends to go back for the World Cup Finals with Austria

Now back in Austria playing for Rapid Vienna after two years of unhappy shuttling to-and-fro with Barcelona, Krankl is hoping Austria can improve on their show in Argentina in 1978.

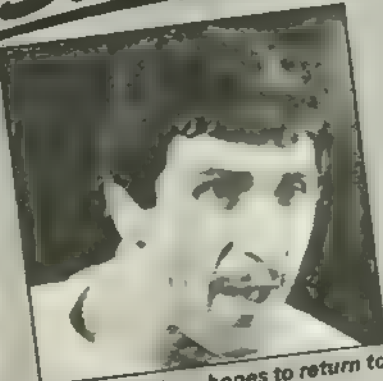
He says: "Football here is different from Spain, particularly with publicity and crowds, but we have some good players as we demonstrated in Argentina."

"I learned my football from my father who was the trainer of a modest team and a referee for 25 years. I am 28 now and I want to keep playing and scoring goals."

"Austria can finish second to West Germany in our group. Our team now is different from the one that played in Argentina and of about the same potential, I think."

"We would like to be the dark horses, the revelations. All my dreams, personally though, are of the present and qualifying. I would love to go to Spain and do well."

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Hans Krankl... hopes to return to Spain with Austria.

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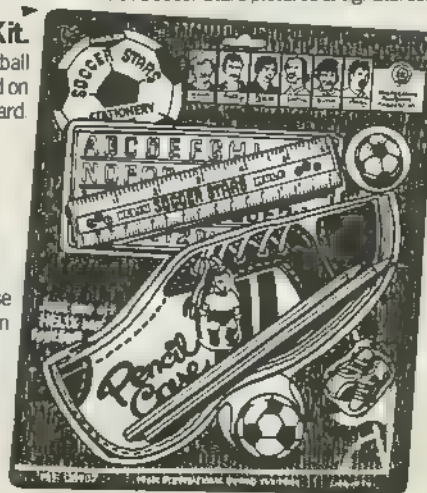
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IT'S been a crazy close season for transfers!

At the time we put together our survey England winger Peter Barnes had been the most expensive buy at £930,000, but there's no doubt that Everton's new boss Howard Kendall has been the busiest man in the market.

The former Blackburn boss has had a really hectic summer since returning to his former club being involved in no less than NINE transfer deals.

The most notable was the swap which took his full-back John Gidman to Manchester United in exchange for Welsh international Mickey Thomas.

And Howard showed his business sense by pocketing £50,000 in the exchange.

Peter Barnes finally made up his mind to join Allan Clarke at Leeds in a record deal — even though his former club Manchester City showed an interest.

But the biggest destruction of a side must be at Middlesbrough — the First Division club — losing all their midfield stars in the last six months.

Following the departure of Craig Johnston to Liverpool, Mark Proctor joined Forest and David Armstrong went south to Southampton.



Above: Peter Barnes, Leeds' record signing from West Brom, in his new kit

Who went
where...
and what
for

Here's a list of the major close season moves:

JULY
Frank Gray, Nottingham Forest — Leeds, £300,000
John McLelland, Mansfield — Rangers, £85,000
Clive Allen, Crystal Palace — QPR, £475,000
Steve Wicks, QPR — Crystal Palace, £700,000
Tony Fitzpatrick, Bristol City — St Mirren, £170,000

AUGUST
Toni Van Mierlo, Willem — Birmingham, £175,000
John Gregory, Brighton — QPR, £300,000
Nigel Worthington, Ballymena — Notts County, £100,000
Martin O'Neill, Norwich — Man. City, £250,000
Paul Price, Luton — Spurs, £250,000
Alan West, Luton — Millwall, £50,000
Joe Cooke, Oxford — Exeter, £25,000

JULY
Alan Biley, Derby — Everton, £300,000
Neville Southall, Bury — Everton, £150,000
Joe Jordan, Man. Utd. — AC Milan, £175,000
Bob Latchford, Everton — Swansea, £125,000
Joe Bolton, Sunderland — Middlesbrough, £200,000
Gary Megson, Everton — Sheff. Wed., £130,000
Tony Greashall, Luton — Brighton, £100,000
Brian Horton, Brighton — Luton, £100,000
Alan Ainscow, Birmingham — Everton, £250,000

Keith Walwyn, Chesterfield — York, £4,000
Dai Davies, Wrexham — Swansea, £45,000
Phil Ferns, Bournemouth — Charlton, £300,000
Iain Munro, Stoke — Sunderland, £150,000
Leighton Phillips, Swansea — Charlton, £35,000
Bob Lee, Bristol Rovers — Carlisle, £11,000
Jeff Johnson, Sheff. Wed. — Newport, £60,000
John Gidman, Everton — Man. Utd., exchange
Mickey Thomas, Man. Utd. — Everton, exchange

AUGUST
Andy Blair, Coventry — Aston Villa, £300,000
David Armstrong, Middlesbrough — Southampton, £600,000
Mike Walsh, Bolton — Everton, £70,000
Jim McDonagh, Everton — Bolton, exchange
Peter Barnes, West Brom — Leeds, £930,000
Jim Arnold, Blackburn — Everton, £175,000
Terry Gennos, Southampton — Blackburn, £60,000
*Mark Proctor, Middlesbrough — Nottingham Forest, £425,000
*Alan Whitehead, Bury — Brentford, £65,000
Steve Mackenzie, Man. City — West Brom., £500,000

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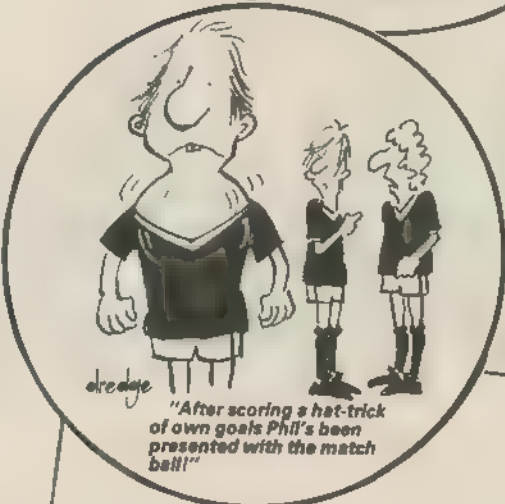
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Alan made them ROAR with laughter

THERE was something fishy about Alan Kennedy's first day at Liverpool. The Red Army's new recruit was enjoying lunch after his first gruelling training session when a message came through to ring a Mr C. Lion. Oh no, not another press interview, thought Alan. He headed for the telephone in the players lounge. The penny dropped when the girl at the other end answered 'Hello, Noseleigh Safari Park'. The sound of laughter from his team-mates confirmed it. Alan had been caught out on his first day. 'I've enjoyed a lot of funny moments in football but that's the first', said Alan's full-back partner Phil Neal. Liverpool's Alan Kennedy took the bait when there was a message to ring Mr C. Lion.



"I'm alright 'mammy' — it's only a slight knock!"



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"After scoring a hat-trick of own goals Phil's been presented with the match ball!"

Flipper, Luggie, Sascha and The Cheat!

NICKNAMES are as important at Dundee United as football boots. And it didn't take long for his team-mates to christen new-signing Frank Kopel. Frank said: "We used to do a few sprints on a Friday in training and I would try and steal a yard by setting off early. "We all used to do it but for some reason they singled me out and called me 'The Cheat'. It's stayed with me ever since."

"I think they were looking for an excuse to give me a nickname because everybody else had one. "Paul Hegarty is known as Flipper because of his big feet and under all that hair Paul Sturrock has got large ears so, naturally, we call him Luggie. "David Narey is called Sascha because he looks like Sascha Distel and Ian Phillip is known as 'Aggie' after Agatha Christie. He's always reading novels."

Why Doc called me 'Bunge'

ONE of soccer's most unusual nicknames is Newcastle's Mick Martin who was known as 'Bunge' during the early part of his career. "It was Tommy Docherty who gave me the tag when I was at Manchester United" Mick said. "I was always saying 'I'll have to go and ring me Mammy now' as I hadn't long been over from Ireland. "It reminded the 'Doc' of a TV character called Bungey who was always talking about his mammy. "The name followed me to West Bromwich Albion but it hasn't caught on yet at Newcastle. I only come across it when I'm with the Eire team or when I meet up with my old team-mates."

The side



THE pressure is turned on full blast this Saturday as another action-packed football season bursts into life. The struggle for points week in, week out naturally takes its toll. So before we get down to the serious business Match Weekly has been taking a unique look at soccer's lighter moments, the funny stories, nicknames and superstitions.

DOGGONE IT!



Doggone it! Leicester's Larry May tries to go through a 'doggie' Manchester United defence at Old Trafford last season.



'Monte' Mariner

PAUL Mariner was always in the picture on England's tour of South America in 1977 . . . and it had nothing to do with the football.

Paul was keen to bring home as many reminders as possible from his first overseas trip with England.

And if he wasn't taking photographs of the sights he was instructing his team-mates to put him in the frame.

Not surprisingly the Ipswich star was quickly tagged 'Monte' after the celebrated press cameraman, Monte Fresco.

Lighter of soccer

Fighting talk

"NOW, come on Ref, let me put it this way . . ." Orient's colourful star Stan Bowles has a bust-up with referee S. Bates.

Player power?

JOHN Bond has been demanding more power at the back from his side . . . but he didn't think they would take him at his word so early in the season.

Manchester City's pre-season tour of Scotland, Holland and West Germany got off to the slowest of starts when their coach refused to budge from the hotel car park.

City's expensive stars had no choice but to pile out and push it down the road to get it started.

No doubt they're hoping their season gets off to a speedier start on Saturday!

They must think I'm mad!

WATCH out when Aston Villa meet West Ham this season — a couple of 'psychos' will clash head-on.

"Psycho" is a nickname shared by both David Cross and Allan Evans.

Allan said: "The lads call me 'Evo' but the Holi 'End fans prefer 'Psycho'."

"I can't think why — they must think I'm mad!"



"I always put my boots on first — I'm superstitious!"

"ALBERT" Tunks made his debut last season when a local radio reporter got his three R's muddled up.

Preston North End fans bombarded the radio station to protest when the Midlands broadcaster couldn't decide whether their 'keeper was Ron, Ray or Roy during a League Cup tie at West Bromwich Albion.

The radio man's solution was simple: "We'll call him Albert, that way we can't make a mistake."

Now everybody at Deepdale calls him Albert.

"The nickname doesn't worry me at all," said Roy.

"I'm used to people getting my name wrong. I've been called Tinkles, Trunks or Tanks many times in the past."



Tony Brown's having a ball . . . literally. But then again the West Bromwich Albion stalwart always did face up to the challenge!

YOUR BALL

BATSON'S BEST!

BRENDON BATSON (West Brom) v Ipswich, Division One, The Hawthorns, Saturday, April 4, 1981.

WEST Brom full-back Brendon Batson produced a memorable effort for his first-ever goal in the First Division.

His superb diving header, right on the stroke of half-time, provided a fitting finale to a sweeping Albion move in which England winger Peter Barnes, now at Leeds, played a key role.

It put Albion into a 2-1 lead and Barnes added a third in the second half for good measure to keep the Midlands side on course for Europe and dent Ipswich Town's championship hopes in the process.

Batson figured in the move twice: "We broke up an Ipswich attack and Derek Statham laid a ball into my path as I crossed the halfway line.

"I found Gary Owen with a short pass and he fed Peter Barnes on the left. He got a lucky rebound off full-back Kevin Steggles and duly swung over a great cross.

"I had continued my run into the penalty area and the ball dropped perfectly for me.

"I dived full length, closed my eyes, hoped for the best and in it went.

"The goal came at just the right psychological moment for us, because Ipswich were getting into their stride after grabbing an equaliser.

"I scored six League goals with Cambridge United, but this was easily my best, especially as it was a header."

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England have no chance

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They lost to the Swiss in Berne and then qualifying "depended on a miracle".

Now they have beaten Hungary it's said they have a great chance of qualifying.

I don't understand you English and I don't think you will qualify. Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland already have one foot in Spain — England will be lucky to get a toenail!

Andrew Cowe, Corby, Northants.

● Never mind about feet and toe nails, you've got the boot! You're sent off. Of course England will qualify . . . and they'll get further than Scotland!

Robson out!

I'M outraged at the praise given to West Brom's Bryan Robson. He's a very ordinary sort of player and definitely not worth his England place. How Ron Greenwood can overlook Ray Kennedy and Terry McDermott is beyond me?

Carl Mirfield, Morpeth, Northumberland.

● I'll tell you how he can overlook Ray Kennedy Carl . . . Ray's said he doesn't want to be part of the England set-up anymore. You're booked.

Diego doubt?

I'M outraged at the number of English players who rate Diego Maradona as one of the best all-round players since the great Pele.

They've had two proper showings of Maradona. Don't forget England has class too.

Andrew Leigh, Horwich, Lancs.

● So how long do you need to watch a genius at work before you are convinced? No-one in England is in the same class. You're booked.

Baffled by Brazil

I DON'T know how Brazil do it year after year when it comes to qualifying for the World Cup. They manage it so easily and quickly while countries like England, West Germany and Russia are left to sweat it out.

Perdip Dhadra, Letchworth, Herts.

● I'll tell you then. Firstly they are marvellous footballers and secondly they don't have any real opposition.

Goodbye Forest!

IT'S time to say good-bye to Nottingham Forest. They've had their glory and now should make room for Notts County. Forest have lost many good players and they'll be relegated this season. County meanwhile will win — or come near to winning — the Championship.

Adrian Moon, Carlton, Nottingham.

● You've got your head in the clouds Mr Moon and your facts upside down. You're booked.

Slow as Clough?

What has he done to deserve two England caps. He's as slow as Brian Clough trying to fix a transfer and the most boring player in the country along with Reg Hawkins (my friend).

● Poor old player what's he done to deserve two England caps. He's as slow as Brian Clough trying to fix a transfer and the most boring player in the country along with Reg Hawkins (my friend).

MY TORMENT at BIRMINGHAM

"Boo-boys nearly drove me out" reveals KEITH BERTSCHIN

I DIDN'T believe football could deal me a crueler blow than the season I broke both my legs — and an ankle to boot!

I was well and truly down on my knees and wondered whether I would ever kick a ball again.

But the physical agonies I endured were nothing to the mental torment I suffered last season — and all because of a few loud-mouthed Birmingham fans.

The 'Bertschin-boo-boys' came close to driving me away from St Andrews. The barracking became so bad that I wrote in a local newspaper column that I didn't see why I should stay when the fans were making it clear that I was not wanted.

Part of the reason why I stayed, determined to prove the knockers wrong, was the letters of support from a large number of fans.

They boosted my confidence no end. But to be honest I never lost faith in

myself — if you haven't got confidence in this business you may as well pack up.

Manager Jim Smith and my team-mates played their part as well. They made it plain they wanted me in the side ahead of the other good forwards at Birmingham.

The verbal attacks began soon after Christmas. Our good run in the League came to an end and we nose-dived out of the Cup competitions.

Suddenly our fans began to look even more longingly at our rivals across the city. Aston Villa were going great guns at the time and West Bromwich Albion were on a steady course towards Europe.

Our fans became more and more restless and looked for a target. I was a convenient 'Aunt Sally' because although I was working hard and my approach play was quite good, I wasn't finding the back of the net.

Naturally the fans put a lot of pressure on me to score — and that only made things worse.

I was being criticised by the same fans who would have given me the key to the city the previous year when we won promotion.

Still, out of the ashes of last season, may come some good. I am determined to improve on my goalscoring record — while hopefully still playing a part in the build-ups.

I aim to get in the box sooner so I'm more composed when the ball arrives.

Instead of breaking my neck to get on the end of a cross, hopefully I'll already be there, ready and waiting.

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Above: Keith Bertschin in action for Birmingham last season: "Our fans became more and more restless. They looked for a target and I wasn't finding the back of the net."

Inset: Birmingham manager Jim Smith — he played a big part in keeping Keith Bertschin at St Andrews.

Who am I?

Everton are my deadly rivals. Now turn to page 47 to discover my identity.



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He explained: "I trained with Middlesbrough in South Wales and looked set to join them until suddenly the deal fell through.

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"It's been a close season I'll never forget — with just two weeks to go before the big kick off I looked so far away from the First Division.

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Steve Phillips,
Northampton's ace
marksman.

Northampton

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Peterborough skipper
Billy Kellock.



Port Vale manager John
McGrath

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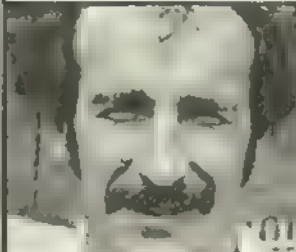
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Bob Hatton, Sheffield United's much travelled striker.



Stockport forward Osher Williams.

Stockport

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Torquay goalkeeper Vince O'Keefe

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Tranmere striker Clive Evans

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York's Derek Craig.

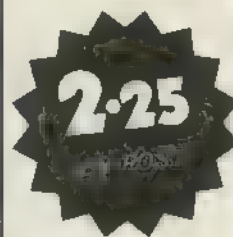
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Lee CHAPMAN

STOKE City may have to win something this season to keep their talented striker Lee Chapman.

New manager Richie Barker has persuaded the 21-year-old 'young England' forward to stay for at least another year, but Lee admits:

"If we're not pushing for honours this season then I shall be in the same position again next summer in hoping that a big club will sign me.

"I've got nothing against Stoke, but it's my ambition to play for a big club and improve my chances of honours and international recognition.

"Hopefully Stoke can get among the honours this time and then probably my future might lie at the

Left: Lee Chapman has decided to stay another year at Stoke in a bid to get some success.

Victoria Ground."

Lee was Stoke's top scorer last season with 15 goals, including hat-tricks against Norwich and Leeds, but only his former boss, Alan Durban — now with Sunderland — came in with a concrete offer.

"There was talk of Manchester City, Notts County and Birmingham being interested, but only Sunderland came in with a firm bid," says Lee.

"But Sunderland are in a similar position to Stoke and I wouldn't be bettering myself.

"So I decided to sign a one-year contract rather than keep hanging on for a big club to come in.

"New manager Richie Barker persuaded me that Stoke could go places this season.

"I have been impressed with Richie who has some very good ideas. He wants us to play

attacking football and everything is geared to bringing some success to the club.

"He had a good cup record at Wolves and hopefully some of that success will rub off here."

Lee, whose father Roy was a Stoke favourite, realises this season could be the turning point of his career.

"I think a lot of big clubs were reluctant to sign me because I have only done it for one season in the First Division.

"This season I've got to prove to them that I can score goals on a regular basis at this level.

"I was pleased with the way things went last year because it was my first full season in the first team, but I know I can get much better.

"I've got to keep working hard and improving my game. There's always something to learn. Even

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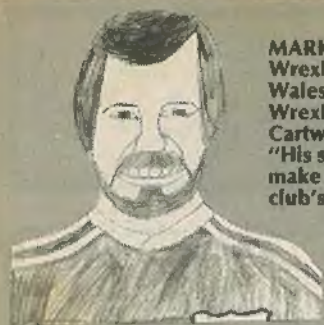
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